

THE CITIZEN.

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Oh friends, what a power for good was here! See to it that no link be lacking in your lives to weaken its effect with your children! So live that with them also an infection from Christ shall be felt a shameful departure from their sacred family traditions.

There are also some admonitions which in this hour should have notice.

First, There is a limit to creature strength. One year ago to-day our brother preached his last sermon here. Had it been asked that day, Who is the strongest man in Bloomfield? There would have been throughout all the town one answer: Samuel W. Duffield. Yet now here he lies dead!

I may voice the admonition in the words of the prophet Jeremiah (Chap. 9, verse 23 and 24): "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his riches; but let him that glorifieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the Lord which exercise loving kindness, judgment and righteousness in the earth, for in these things I delight, saith the Lord."

Next there is an admonition concerning the exercise of faith. This cardinal grace some would make equivalent to a confident expectation, and they press themselves and others with it as an imperative duty, saying, "Expect, expect, and ye shall receive." But there is a profounder work of faith, beloved, than all that. It is where one trusts restfully that what the Heavenly Father wills is best, where stricken children can submit and say, in the words of our Saviour, "The cup which my Father hath given me shall I not drink it?" and, "Not what I will, but what Thou wilt."

Have faith in God. Further we have a feeling of the mystery of suffering. His sufferings add the heart sufferings of his loved ones and of us all, what of these?

We conceive of Heaven as free from pain, and so it doubtless is; for we read that "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away." But it is nevertheless also true that Heaven is enriched with the fruits of pain.

The "Captain of our Salvation" was "made perfect through sufferings" and we are told that our afflictions here seem to "work out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."

But our pain-tried brother now rests. Among the last words of holy Scripture his departing spirit fitted itself to the mould of was: "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous Judge shall give me at that day, and not to me only, but unto all them that love his appearing."

We sang this morning in the other congregation from one of our brother's own hymns—indeed all our hymns to-day were of his writing, so selected to hold us in the closer sympathy with you—this verse, most fitting for me now to close these voicings with:

"There, there, secure from every ill,
In freedom we shall sing
The songs of Zion, hallowed here
By days of suffering.
And unto Thee, our gracious Lord,
Our praises shall be sent
That all our sorrow hath been good,
And Thou by pain canst bless."

Prayer was then offered by Rev. Dr. Charles E. Knox, President of the German Theological School, and a member of Mr. Duffield's congregation.

Rev. Dr. Charles S. Robinson, who attended the services, as a personal friend of Mr. Duffield's, was introduced by Dr. Kennedy, as follows:

It is pleasant to us to know that at this very hour there is a memorial service conducted in the pastoral charge before this which our dear brother had. They are in sympathy with us and a Blessed Saviour is in sympathy with all. We have providentially with us at this hour the Rev. Dr. Robinson of New York who has consented to make a few remarks.

Dr. Robinson's Remarks.

I was not expecting to take part in this service this afternoon, or even to have a place on this platform; but someone is kind enough to speak a wish to me, and I can do it and stand it well, I do it. There shall be no denial when it is wanted. The man honored me when he claimed me for these years as one of his nearest friends (but that is nothing to you). What is to you is this: He came to my study in New York Monday afternoon, week after week, and month after month, for a number of years; always came full of the Sunday before. He told me everything that concerned him; he told me when anybody joined the church; he told me when anybody came into the congregation; he told me when an elder was ordained; he told me everything. It was a pleasure to tell me everything that transpired. (There never was a man in all my acquaintance that was so thoroughly identified with a church as he was with his.) He was of his congregation the proudest minister I ever saw. He always had some kind word to say of some kind word said to him; some kind deed done to him.

He used often to say: "Well! yesterday I took this text," and almost at once he would get up on his feet; he would begin with enthusiasm, and go on with zeal. I was in the business and he did not need to take up details, you know. I never saw a man that could do so much with an audience of one as he—so full of enthusiasm always. And so the time ran on. I told him to take a steamer and go to Antwerp and straight up the river to Hamburg. I told him to go there; I told him I wanted him to know the way—straight to Hamburg. There was a limit to him. He came into my study, I knew there were ashes in his face, I could not understand what was the matter with him; I knew he was sick, but I did not know what was the matter.

He gave you the fullness of his love,

and I think you gave it back to him. I think you men stood by him manfully—I do, from the bottom of my heart. I think this whole church stood by him magnificently. He gave you all he had: You took it. You gave him all he needed, and he took it. You stood by him to the end.

There is a whole line of ministers here on the stage. If you think any one of us is frightened, you are mistaken. There is no trouble in our hearts; we believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ our Lord, just as we did before. If you think we are disheartened because our brother has gone down out of sight; or if you think we are weak because our eyes are full of tears, just try us. But it hurts, God knows it hurts to think of it. Well, it ought not to; it is not so very bad. Paul, that righteous apostle, said, "For our light affliction which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." The Greek for the expression "a far more exceeding" cannot be translated into English. Do you know what "hyperbole" means? Well, it is a figure of rhetoric, and means "exaggeration." Now the Greek is "hyperboles on hyperboles."—"An exaggeration-on-the-top-of-an-exaggeration height of glory."—"a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." Need there then be so very much grieving when one has come into a glory like that?

When the persecuted Covenanter, Alexander Hilton, hunted by the English through the half of Scotland, weary and scarcely able to stand, came to the grave of Richard Cameron, whom the enemy had killed and mutilated, he cried, "Oh! to be with thee, Richard." It was all that he could say.

It is not so bad as you may think; it is worth something to think that when one's work is done, he can be borne out of the church which honors him, as reverently and tenderly as these hands lifted their coffin dead. It is worth working for to be cared for through sickness, and to be loved unto the end.

If any of these words are worth the least to you in the world, I pray you, take them. I wanted to say a word to you; but I must say it in private. But there is one thing I must say here. When some travelers were in the Arctic regions, they pushed on ahead through the solitudes, and when their food gave out, they would have perished had they not come upon some caches, where, away down under the earth, they found food which had been put there for them in just such need. So I think there are some provisions in God's Word that are made for widows and the fatherless and the motherless, which He has stored away for the hour of need, and which are never noticed until they are wanted. There are words from the widow's God to widows, which you and I shall never know. There are words that come to the widows; there are words for you all; and only those find them who penetrate the Arctic solitudes of bereavement.

After prayer by Rev. E. D. Simons, and a closing hymn by the choir, the Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Kennedy, when the assembly quietly and slowly passed up the centre aisle to take a last look at the beloved pastor and friend. The remains, enclosed in a black cloth casket, lay in state in the church after the services until Monday afternoon, details from Essex H. and L. Co. remaining in charge as a gun of honor. The remains were then taken to Detroit, Mich., for interment. Mrs. Duffield, Rev. Dr. Duffield, father of the deceased, and Messrs. Moore and Newton accompanied the remains.

The Publishing Company. At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors held on Friday evening, May 13th, 1887, at the house of Mr. G. Lee Stout the following report was presented by the special committee whose names are appended thereto:

Resolved, that the Board of Directors of the Bloomfield Publishing Company being desirous of expressing their high appreciation of the character of their late associate, the Rev. Samuel W. Duffield, direct that the following minute be entered upon their records.

The Rev. Samuel Willoughby Duffield, who died at his residence in Bloomfield, on Wednesday the 12th inst., was one of the incorporators of our company, and has been a member of the Board of Directors since its organization in 1883.

He also served as a member of the Board of Editors of THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN during the first two years of its existence.

In both of these relations he has contributed in no slight degree to the success of our enterprise. Gifted with talents of a high order, and endowed with great perseverance and industry, he found time in the midst of his regular duties and labors to contribute largely to the columns of our paper in a manner which has done much to advance the interests of our town.

He was a constant and regular attendant at the social meetings of our board, where his genial nature made him a most agreeable companion and friend.

Stricken with a fatal malady, in the midst of a career of uncommon activity and usefulness, he exhibited a courage and a hopefulness which command our highest admiration; while his patience and resignation, when there was left no room for hope, furnish most eloquent testimony to the value of those religious convictions with which his own life was in harmony, and the principles of which he never failed to commend.

His early and untimely death is a serious loss to the various interests with which he was identified as well as a sore bereavement to those with whom he was most intimately associated.

We desire to express our sincere sympathy for his family.

(Signed) Halsey M. Barrett, Edward P. Mitchell, John Newton, Committee. On motion, it was unanimously resolved that the foregoing report be accepted, and entered in full on the minutes of the meeting and that a copy be sent to the

family of the late Rev. Mr. Duffield; also that the report be printed in THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

WM. A. BALDWIN, Secretary.

Resolutions adopted by Essex Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Rev. Samuel W. Duffield, the Chaplain of our Company, has been removed from us by the grim destroyer, Death.

In the midst of the activities of a vigorous and useful life, he has been summoned to answer the roll call of Eternity. Ever ready to respond to the call of duty, full of sympathy for those who needed encouragement in the battle of life, strong in his friendships, regardless of self, forceful in his defense of the right, a tried and trusty citizen, an able theologian and a noble-hearted Minister of the Gospel of Christ, his life among us has been spent in doing good.

Mr. Duffield's memory will ever be dear to the members of "Essex," and his influence for good, strengthening us in the desire to live noble and useful lives, will be ever present with us.

While we deeply deplore his loss, and sincerely sympathize with his bereaved family, we realize that God, the Creator of the universe, "in whose hand is the soul of every living thing and the breath of all mankind," and whose "ways are past finding out" doeth all things well, and that no human life is given over to the power of death until the allotted work of its earthly existence is complete.

Resolved, that we will attend his funeral in a body, and that a copy of these resolutions be presented to his family, and published in THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

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Legal Notices.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—Essex County Court of Common Pleas.—The Essex County National Bank of Newark, New Jersey, vs. Aaron H. Kent, Pl. in, &c.

WHITEHEAD & CONNETT, Attys. Essex County Court of Common Pleas.—The Essex County National Bank of Newark, New Jersey, vs. Aaron H. Kent, Pl. in, &c.

WHITEHEAD & CONNETT, Attys.

By virtue of the above stated writ of fieri facias, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by public vendue at the Court House in Newark, on Tuesday, the thirty-first day of May next, at two o'clock P. M., all that tract or parcel of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the townships of Bloomfield and Belleville, Essex county, New Jersey.

Beginning at the corner of John D. Huntington's land on the west side of the old road leading from Newark to Newark; thence along said Huntington's line south forty-nine degrees west six chains and seven links; thence along the same south thirty-two degrees twenty-five minutes west three chains and twenty links to Charles Farrand's land; thence with Charles Farrand's line south thirty-two degrees and seven chains and twenty-eight links to said road; thence along the said road north twenty-two degrees forty-five minutes west four chains; thence along the same north thirty-two degrees twenty-five minutes east two chains fifty-eight links to the beginning. Being the same premises conveyed to said Aaron H. Kent by Susan Ward, by deed dated June 16, 1881, recorded in W. 7, 203, excepting therefrom the following tract:

Beginning in the southerly side of the road running from Bloomfield to Newark at the northwest corner of Robert H. Dawkins' land; thence along said road twenty-seven and one-quarter degrees west fifty feet to line of land belonging to said Aaron H. Kent; thence along the said last mentioned line south fifty-seven and three-quarter degrees west one hundred and fifty feet; thence along Aaron H. Kent's land south twenty-seven and one-quarter degrees east and three-quarter degrees fifty feet to Robert H. Dawkins' land; thence along the last mentioned land north fifty-seven and three-quarter degrees east and three-quarter degrees second course one hundred and fifty feet to the place of beginning.

Newark, N. J., March 28, 1887.

WM. H. BROWN, Sheriff.

APPLICATIONS for Construction of Sidewalks.

Notice is hereby given that Applications for the Construction of Sidewalks must be sent to the Committee on or before July 1, 1887.

By order of Township Committee.